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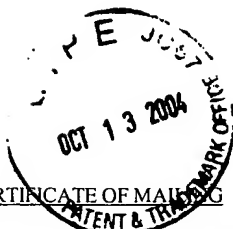
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This document is responsive to the Office Action mailed on July 13, 2004. A shortened statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date was set by the Patent Office, thus this Response is timely filed. Although no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any other necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 03-0172 (Calfee, Halter & Griswold LLP). Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.